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29 May 1985

Honorable Joseph P. Addabbo  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Defense  
Committee on Appropriations  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Addabbo:

On 9 May I appeared before the Defense Subcommittee, chaired by Mr. Hefner in your absence, to discuss the National Reconnaissance Program (NRP). In the course of my presentation dealing with this country's satellite reconnaissance activities, the members expressed considerable interest in operations of the

[redacted] Subsequent discussions with Mr. Bob Davis of the Subcommittee Staff confirmed this high level of interest and the desire to observe this unique intelligence collection capability first-hand.

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The Subcommittee is well aware that the National Reconnaissance Program is one of the most technologically sophisticated efforts in the nation. I am very proud of our accomplishments and mindful of the need for Congress to fully understand the complexity and diversity of our challenges. In this context I would like to extend an invitation for members of the Defense Subcommittee and appropriately accessed staff personnel to tour the [redacted] mission ground station at a mutually convenient time. We conducted a similar orientation program for the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence earlier this year. Those visits were extremely well received and I have every confidence that your time invested would be equally well spent.

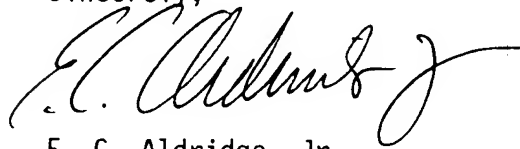
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If the pressing legislative schedule permits you to accept my invitation, I recommend Mr. John Plashal and Mr. Bob Davis of the Subcommittee Staff work with [redacted] of my staff in completing the necessary arrangements. I look forward to hosting you and the other members at the

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Sincerely,



E. C. Aldridge, Jr.

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